

I N L O V I N G  
*Memory*

*Thomas William Saiko*

July 31, 1943 † November 26, 2023

*FUNERAL SERVICE*

Saturday, December 2, 2023 ~ 2:00 PM

Anderson Funeral Home Chapel

Alexandria, Minnesota

*CLERGY*

Chaplin Randy Hanson

*SPECIAL HYMNS*

“How Great Thou Art” by Elvis Presley

“Amazing Grace” by Elvis Presley

*HONOARARY URN BEARERS*

Brianna Oates

Faith Saiko

Blaine Graff

RyAnn Graff

Kyrie Oates

Clara Graff

*INTERMENT*

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

Minneapolis, Minnesota

May of 2024

God saw him getting tired,  
a cure not meant to be,  
So He put His arms

AROUND HIM, AND WHISPERED...

“Come With Me.”

*Thomas Saiko, a beloved father, brother, and friend, passed away on November 26, 2023, at Alomere Health Hospital in Alexandria, MN at the age of 80. He was born on July 31, 1943, in St. Paul, Minnesota, and grew up in the Frogtown neighborhood. Thomas began his education at St. Agnes and later graduated from Wilson High School. He joined the Navy on June 17, 1964, serving with his childhood friends Ed Gruba and Dave "Scotty" Scott. He served on the USS Randolph in the Atlantic. Thomas proudly served his country until his honorable discharge on March 25, 1970.*

*His love for sports included softball, bowling, and ice hockey; where he played as a goalie until a painful toe injury forced him to retire from the rink. On June 19, 1970, Thomas married Patricia Chadwick and two sons, Robert and Jeffrey, were born to this union. Thomas was a dedicated employee at Mack Engineering, where he worked as a skilled machinist. He began his career there before his military service and continued for nearly 40 years afterward.*

*In 1985, Thomas decided to start a new chapter in his life and moved to Alexandria, Minnesota, on Lake Andrew. Thomas embraced the outdoor activities that the area had to offer, including golf (achieving two Hole in Ones) and fishing. He also enjoyed hunting and snowmobiling in Outing, Minnesota and playing cribbage.*

*Thomas will be remembered fondly for his fun-loving and mischievous nature. He was the life of the party, captivating everyone with his jokes and stories. Thomas was never at a loss for words and could engage in conversations for hours, causing him to always be the last one to finish eating.*

*Thomas Saiko is survived by his loving sons, Robert (Sheila) Saiko and Jeffrey (Michelle) Saiko, his cherished grandchildren, Brianna (Darius) Oates, Faith Saiko, Blaine (Crosbee) Graff, and RyAnn Graff, as well as two great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brothers, John Jr. "Jack" Saiko and Peter Saiko, his sister, Marijo (Steve) Peterson, sister-in-law Rene Saiko, and numerous nieces and nephews.*

*Thomas was preceded in death by his parents, John Sr. "Chubby" and Dorothy Saiko, his brother Daniel "Danny" Saiko, and his sister, Gretchen (John) Schmoller, and sister-in-law Barb Saiko.*

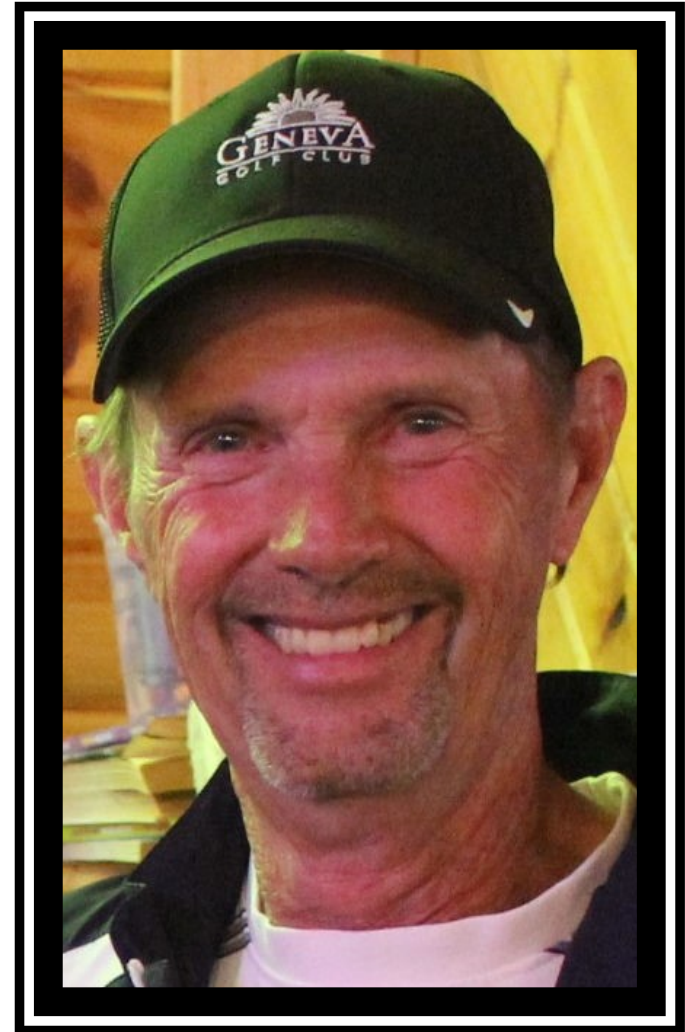
*Thomas Saiko brought joy, laughter, and love into the lives of everyone he encountered. His memory will forever live within the hearts of his loved ones, and his spirit will continue to guide them.*

Arrangements by *Anderson Funeral Home* and Cremation Service, Alexandria, Minnesota

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*Thomas W. Saiko*  
1943 ~ 2023